

## A NOTE ON *CICINDELA LONGILABRIS* SAY (COLEOPTERA: CICINDELIDAE)<sup>1</sup>

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In Entomological News (1902:167) William J. Fox, Secretary, reporting on the March 1902 meeting of the Feldman Collecting Social in "Doings of the Societies" wrote:

"Mr. Laurent stated that the true *Cicindela longilabris* and the variety *laurentii* do not seem to commingle, the variety keeping to the woods, whereas the typical form occurs along roadways."

This is an important observation which reinforces my stated opinion of the behaviors of *C. longilabris* and *C. montana* in the few known locations where the two species come in proximity to each other. It is my opinion that Laurent's observation of the behavior that he reported for *laurentii* was correct because *laurenti*, as a subspecies of *C. longilabris*, indeed occurs in woodland, or at the edge of woods, much as the nominate form does. However, Laurent may have been mistaken in his reference of the nominate form, which he called *Cicindela longilabris*, when he was actually observing *C. montana*. This latter species does stay in the open, and may be found along roadways (dirt roads in 1902).

Fox did not state the location where Laurent made his observation, nevertheless, I feel that it is reasonable to assume, from the known range of ssp. *laurenti*, that it was made somewhere in the northern sections of the eastern Rocky Mountains Range of Colorado where my map on page 6 of the Idaho Report, dated March 1978, showed the probable overlap of *C. longilabris laurenti* with *C. montana*. From this it is inferred that such an overlap exists.

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